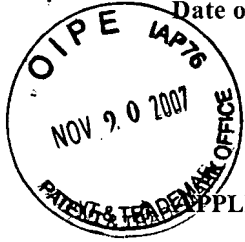


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APPLICANT(S): Conte et al.
APPLICATION NO: 10/507,345 **EXAMINER:** Carlos A. Azpuru
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Mail Stop Amendment

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed July 23, 2007 in the above-identified application.

With the extension, the response is due on or before November 23, 2007. A check in the amount of \$120.00 in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1), is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 28069-603 NATL. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

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